

for implementing the 2003 revision of Office of Management and Budget Circular A-76.

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Withdrawn:

Shelby (for Akaka) Amendment No. 1946, to prohibit the use of funds for the Debt Indicator program.

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During consideration of this measure today, the Senate also took the following action:

By 63 yeas to 31 nays (Vote No. 409), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to the motion to waive Section 302(f) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, with respect to Dodd Amendment No. 1928, to fund the Election Assistance Commission for fiscal year 2004. The point of order that the amendment was in violation of section 302(f) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 was not sustained.

Senate insisted on its amendment, requested a conference with the House thereon, and the Chair was authorized to appoint the following conferees on the part of the Senate: Senators Shelby, Specter, Bond, Bennett, Campbell, Hutchison, DeWine, Brownback, Stevens, Murray, Byrd, Mikulski, Reid, Kohl, Durbin, Dorgan, and Inouye.

International Religious Freedom Day: Senate agreed to S. Res. 251, designating October 27, 2003, as "International Religious Freedom Day".

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Recognizing Dr. Samuel D. Harris National Museum of Dentistry: Senate passed H.J. Res. 52, recognizing the Doctor Samuel D. Harris National Museum of Dentistry, an affiliate of the Smithsonian Institution in Baltimore, Maryland, as the official national museum of dentistry in the United States, clearing the measure for the President.

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National Cancer Prevention Month: Senate agreed to S. Res. 252, designating the month of February 2004 as "National Cancer Prevention Month".

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National Consumer Credit Reporting System Improvement Act Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at a time determined by the Majority Leader, after consultation with the Democratic Leader, but not before Monday, October 27, 2003, Senate proceed to the consideration of S. 1753, to amend the Fair Credit Reporting Act in order to prevent identity theft, to improve the use of and consumer access to consumer reports, to enhance the accuracy of consumer reports, to limit the Sharing of certain consumer information, to improve financial education and literacy.

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Nomination Considered: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Michael O. Leavitt, of Utah, to be Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.

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A motion was entered to close further debate on the nomination and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur at 5:30 p.m., on Monday, October 27, 2003.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Carol Kinsley, of Massachusetts, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service for a term expiring October 6, 2006.

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Record Votes: Six record votes were taken today. (Total—410)

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Adjournment: Senate met at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 8:22 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Friday, October 24, 2003. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S13185.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Armed Services: Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of Maj. Gen. Robert T. Clark for appointment in the United States Army to the grade of Lieutenant General.

HOUSING GSE'S

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine proposals

for improving the regulation of the Housing government-sponsored enterprises (GSEs), focusing on regulatory independence, the exposure of taxpayers to risks from the GSEs, and including regulation of the Federal Home Loan Banks, Fannie Mae, and Freddie Mac, after receiving testimony from John T. Korsmo, Chairman, Federal Housing Finance Board; Armando Falcon, Jr., Director, Office of Federal Housing Enterprise Oversight, Department of Housing and Urban Development; Douglas Holtz-Eakin, Director, Congressional Budget Office; John D. Koch, Charter One Bank, Cleveland, Ohio, on behalf of America's Community Bankers; Dale J. Torpey, Federation Bank, Washington, Iowa, on behalf of the Independent Community Bankers of America; Allen J. Fishbein, Consumer Federation of America, and Robert M. Couch, Mortgage Bankers Association, both of Washington, D.C.; and Iona C. Harrison, Realty Executives—Main Street, U.S.A., Upper Marlboro, Maryland, on behalf of the National Association of Realtors.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Roger Walton Ferguson, Jr., of Massachusetts, to be Vice Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, Ben S. Bernanke, of New Jersey, to be a Member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, and Paul S. Atkins, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Securities and Exchange Commission.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Karen K. Bhatia, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary of Transportation, Gwendolyn Brown, of Virginia, to be Chief Financial Officer, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Charles Darwin Snelling, of Pennsylvania, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority, and certain nominations for promotion in the U.S. Coast Guard.

RAILROAD COMPETITION ACT

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Surface Transportation and Merchant Marine concluded a hearing to examine railroad shipper issues and S. 919, to amend title 49, United States Code, to enhance competition among and between rail carriers in order to ensure efficient rail service and reasonable rail rates, after receiving testimony from Roger Nober, Chairman, Surface Transportation Board, Department of Transportation; Edward R. Hamberger, Association of American Railroads, Washington, D.C.; Terry C. Whiteside,

Whiteside and Associates, Billings, Montana, on behalf of several farm producer groups; Charles E. Platz, Basell North America, Inc., Wilmington, Delaware, on behalf of the Consumers United for Rail Equity and the American Chemistry Council; and Randall Linville, The Scoular Company, Overland Park, Kansas.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee ordered favorably reported the following bills:

S. 994, to protect human health and the environment from the release of hazardous substances by acts of terrorism, with amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

S. 1757, to amend the John F. Kennedy Center Act to authorize appropriations for the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, with an amendment.

COMPANY OWNED LIFE INSURANCE

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded a hearing to examine current-federal tax treatment, proposals, and issues relating to company owned life insurance, focusing on the uses of corporate-owned life insurance, identify where any problems might exist, and suggest how those problems should be addressed, after receiving testimony from Gregory F. Jenner, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Treasury for Tax Policy; Davi M. D'Agostino, Director, Financial Markets and Community Investment, General Accounting Office; Frank Keating, American Council of Life Insurers, and Andrew D. Pike, American University Washington College of Law, both of Washington, D.C.; Robert Plybon, Association for Advanced Life Underwriting, Falls Church, Virginia; and Spencer Tillman, Sugar Land, Texas.

VISA REFORMS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on International Operations and Terrorism concluded a hearing to examine how to achieve the necessary security improvements in a global environment relating to the post-9/11 visa reforms and new technology, focusing on the economic impact of tourism, travel by students and scholars, and the negative perception of U.S. visa policies, after receiving testimony from C. Stewart Verdery, Jr., Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security for Policy, Border, and Transportation Security; Janice L. Jacobs, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Consular Affairs; David M. Hardy, Acting Assistant Director, Records Management Division, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice; William C. Oberlin, American Chamber of Commerce in Korea and Boeing International Corporation, Seoul, Korea; John Aber, University of New Hampshire, Durham; and

Jose Estorino, Orlando/Orange County Convention and Visitors Bureau, Orlando, Florida, on behalf of the Travel Industry Association of America.

PRESCRIPTION DRUGS

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee concluded a hearing to examine State and federal oversight to ensure the Safety and quality of drug compounding—the process of mixing, combining, or altering ingredients to create a customized medication for an individual patient—by pharmacies, after receiving testimony from Janet Heinrich, Director, Health Care-Public Health Issues, General Accounting Office; Steven K. Galson, Acting Director, Center for Drug Evaluation and Research, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; Sarah L. Sellers, Center for Pharmaceutical Safety, Barrington, Illinois; Daniel A. Herbert, Richmond, Virginia, on behalf of the American Pharmacists Association; Kevin Kinkade, Missouri Board of Pharmacy, Jefferson City; and William P. Kennedy, Nephron Pharmaceuticals Corporation, Orlando, Florida.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 1545, to amend the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996 to

permit States to determine State residency for higher education purposes and to authorize the cancellation of removal and adjustment of status of certain alien students who are long-term United States residents, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1743, to permit reviews of criminal records of applicants for private Security officer employment;

S. 1194, to foster local collaborations which will ensure that resources are effectively and efficiently used within the criminal and juvenile justice Systems, with an amendment in the nature a substitute;

S. Res. 239, designating November 7, 2003, as “National Native American Veterans Day” to honor the Service of Native Americans in the United States Armed Forces and the contribution of Native Americans to the defense of the United States;

S. Res. 240, designating November 2003 as “National American Indian Heritage Month”; and

The nominations of Dale S. Fischer, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California, and Gary L. Sharpe, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of New York.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee recessed subject to call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. It will meet at 10 a.m. on Friday, October 24 in a pro forma session and at 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, October 28 for morning hour debate.

Committee Meetings

OPEN FOR BUSINESS—ENSURING SAFETY AT FORMER BRENTWOOD POSTAL FACILITY

Committee on Government Reform: Held a hearing entitled “Open for Business: Ensuring Employee and Customer Safety at the Former Brentwood Postal Facility.” Testimony was heard from Bernard L. Unger, Director, Physical Infrastructure Issues, Comptroller General, GAO; R. Davis Layne, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Occupational Safety and Health Adminis-

tration, Department of Labor; the following officials of the U.S. Postal Service: Thomas Day, Vice President, Engineering; and Jerry Lane, Manager, Capitol Metro Operations; Theodore J. Gordon, Senior Deputy Director, Environmental Health Science and Regulation, Department of Health, District of Columbia; and public witnesses.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2003

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

No committee meetings are Scheduled.